

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services — Forest Department – Disciplinary action against Sri S. Gurrappa, Forest Range Officer (Retd) of Bhakarapet Range of Chittoor East Wildlife Management Division – Expired on 10.02.2014 – Findings received – Further action abated – Orders - Issued.

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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

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G.O.MS.No. 16

Dated:18-02-2015.  
Read the following:-

1. From the Prl.CCF Rc.No.18462/2005/K1, Dt:15.07.2013.
2. From the Prl.CCF, Lr.Rc.No.18462/2005/Vig-2, dt. 17.01.2015.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has informed that disciplinary action has been initiated against Sri S.Gurrappa, Forest Range Officer(Retd) of Bhakarapet Range of Chittoor East Wildlife Management Division, U/R 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and Article of Charges were issued vide Ref.No.18462/2005/PXR-3, dt:20-7-2006 on the following count:

- Article-I:** "That he has neglected his legitimate duty in not bringing out the irregularities to the notice of the Divisional Forest Officer"
- Article II** "That he has allowed misappropriation of Government funds to a tune of Rs.37,002/-"
- Article III:** "That he has allowed incurring expenditure to a tune of Rs.20,660/- which became in fructuous"

2. The Charged Officer has acknowledged the receipt of Article of Charges and submitted his explanation on 15.05.2010. Not satisfying with the explanation of the Charged Officer, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests appointed the Conservator of Forests(WLM) Tirupathi as Inquiry Officer and the Divisional Forest Officer, Wildlife Chittoor(E) Division as Presenting Officer vide, PCCFs Rc.No.18462/2005/PXA2(i) dt.29.04.2009. The Inquiry Officer in his findings conducted the inquiry and concluded that the charges framed against the Charged Officer are proved. The findings were communicated to the Charged Officer, through Final Notice dt.03.01.2013 and the Charged Officer has submitted his further defence dt.29.04.2013.The charged officer has submitted his further defense and denied the conclusion arrived by the Inquiry Authority. The findings of the Inquiry Officer and further defence of the Charged Officer has been examined with reference to the records and decided to impose a penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of One year. Accordingly a Show-Cause-Notice was issued to the Charged Officer.

3. Meanwhile, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad while enclosing the representation of Smt. S. Chenchamma, w/o late Sri S. Gurrappa, Forest Range Officer (Retd) along with the death certificate of the Charged Officer, has informed that Sri S. Gurrappa, Forest Range Officer (Retired) died on 10.02.2014 and proposed to abate further disciplinary action against the Charged Officer.

4. The matter has been examined by the Government in the light of the sub-rule (7) (a) of rule 9 of the A. P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as mentioned in G.O.Ms.No.85, Fin&Plg. (FW.Pen-I) Dept., dt 12.7.1999 and under the provisions of G.O.Ms.No.995 Finance (Pen.I) Dept dt 21.12.2002.

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5. After careful examination of the matter, the Government here by order to abate further action against the deceased Government servant Sri S. Gurrappa, Forest Range Officer (Expired), formerly in-charge of Bhakarapet Range of Chittoor East Wildlife Management Division in this case.

6. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJEYA KALLAM  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad.  
Legal heirs of late Sri S. Gurrappa, Forest Range Officer, (Expired)  
(through Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.)

Copy to  
The Accountant General, A.P. Hyderabad.  
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad.  
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